RESOLUTION NO. _____, SERIES 2007

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE HIGHEST AND BEST USE FOR VARIOUS METRO PARKS.

Sponsored By: Councilman Jim King

WHEREAS, Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government ("Metro Government") and 21st Century Parks, Inc. ("21 Century") have worked diligently to assemble significant land holdings in the Floyds Fork watershed; and

WHEREAS, 21st Century has raised significant funds for land acquisition and park development in order to create new public parklands of the highest quality for the citizens of the Louisville area; and

WHEREAS, 21st Century has engaged, after a competitive search process, an internationally-recognized landscape planning firm to assist 21st Century in creating the 21st Century Parks Master Plan (the "Master Plan") that will have an integrated vision to convert these properties into a series of new parklands and trails and that will guide the design and construction process for these new public amenities; and

WHEREAS, 21st Century has given Metro Government representation on its Board of Directors so as to better realize this vision; and

WHEREAS, Metro Government is the owner of certain park land located in Jefferson County, Kentucky, which Metro Government desires to be improved, conserved and preserved in accordance with the Master Plan now being developed by 21st Century; and

WHEREAS, Metro Government recognizes the natural, scenic, open-space value and significance of the park land and shares the common purpose of improving, conserving and preserving the park land in accordance with the terms of the Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the improvement, conservation and preservation of the park land in accordance with the Master Plan is the best use of that park land.

NOW, THEREFOR, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OF THE LOUISVILLE/JEFFERSON COUNTY METRO GOVERNMENT (THE COUNCIL) AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: That Metro Government acknowledges that development of certain park land according to the 21st Century Master Parks Plan is in the best interest of the citizens of Metro Government and that entering into agreements similar to the Agreement attached hereto as exhibit A is the best method to develop that park land for the public benefit of Metro.

SECTION II: This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval.

Kathleen J. Herron Metro Council Clerk	Rick Blackwell President of the Council
Jerry E. Abramson Mayor	Approval Date
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND I	LEGALITY:
Irv Maze	
Jefferson County Attorney	
BY:	